



# FY 2010 NOAA BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS



## Program Support

NOAA's Office of Program Support (PS) requests \$452.7M in FY 2010, reflecting a net decrease of \$106.0M from the FY 2009 Omnibus. This decrease in funds is primarily the result of the early completion of construction projects using supplemental amounts provided for in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The FY 2010 request supports the program requirements necessary to address established NOAA strategic goals and sets Program Support on a path to achieve its vision: to support the people (and, in turn, the programs) of NOAA, ensuring they have the proper work environment, the necessary tools and equipment, and the vital personnel, legal and financial services. Program changes are relative to the FY2010 base which is the FY 2009 Omnibus level less terminated projects plus inflationary adjustments.

### FY 2010 Program Change Highlights

**National Competitive Educational Grant Program +\$4.0M:** With this request, NOAA will support a competitive national environmental literacy program to promote excellence in informal and formal education related to ocean, coastal, Great Lakes, weather, and climate sciences. This request will allow for an additional 8 to 12 competitive awards to be issued per year. The grants program directly addresses the educational mandate established in the America COMPETES Act.

**Facilities Management, Construction, and Safety +\$8.8M:** With this request, NOAA will address critical facility deficiencies and repairs, including projects to replace failing electric, plumbing, HVAC and building systems which have outlived their service lives. Funds will also be used to comply with legal requirements associated with execution of real property leases.

**NOAA Commissioned Corps +\$2.2M:** With this request, NOAA will support an end-strength of 321 NOAA Corps officers, including salaries, benefits, healthcare, pre-commissioning, permanent change of station (PCS), recruiting, and a third Basic Officer Training Course (BOTC) for the additional officers. An expanded NOAA Corps will lower officer attrition rates by avoiding particularly long and arduous at-sea assignments.



**Grants and Acquisition Support +\$4.3M:** This investment will enhance NOAA's ability to provide dedicated personnel assets to increase the capacity of the acquisition and grants workforce sufficient to ensure successful obligation of the increasing volume of contractual and financial assistance actions.

**Fisheries Survey Vessel +\$3.0M:** With this request NOAA will design a new shallow-draft vessel, Fisheries Survey Vessel (FSV) 5. A shallow-draft FSV is necessary for operations in near-shore coastal waters as shallow as 30 feet.

**Facilities and Security Access +\$1.8M:** With this request, NOAA will support compliance with Homeland Security Presidential Directive-12 (HSPD-12), Personal Identity Verification-II (PIV-II) physical and logical access requirements. HSPD-12, PIV-II requires Agencies to comply with Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) 201 standards for secure and reliable identity credentials supporting both physical and logical (systems) access.

PS FY 2010 Budget Request (\$ in Millions)				
	FY 2008 Enacted	FY 2009 Omnibus	FY 2010 Request	FY09 Enacted vs. FY10 Omnibus
ORF	\$392.4	\$451.0	\$419.7	(\$31.3)
PAC	\$28.4	\$81.8	\$5.0	(\$76.8)
OTHER	\$24.9	\$25.9	\$28.0	\$2.1
TOTAL	\$445.7	\$558.7	\$452.7	(\$106.0)

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